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REGULAR MEETING - July 24, 2019 OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Members of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners met at :

July 24, 2019, 2019, at 12:00 noon
1740 W. Adams,
Board Room B,
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Board Staff: David Geriminsky - Executive Director,
Attorney General Representative: Frankie Shinn-Eckberg, Assistant Attorney General

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairperson Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

2. **RECOGNITION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Board Members Present:

Jamie Fitzgerald, Chairperson
Mario Fontes, Secretary
Mindy Hayden
Susan Williams
Tali Lehavi
Rosemary Zimmerman

Board Members Absent:

None

3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – A.R.S. §38-503**

No conflicts noted

4. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

A. May 31, 2019 Regular Session Minutes

Board Member Fontes moved for the adoption of the April 24, 2019 Regular Board Meeting minutes with Board Member Williams providing a second. The Motion Passed.

Fitzgerald	Fontes	Williams	Lehavi	Hayden	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X	X	Aye
						Nay
						Recused
						Abstained
						Absent

5. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION REGARDING PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

A. Asian Medicine Acupuncturists of Arizona

YM Cheng of Asian Medicine Acupuncturists of Arizona was present with Catherine Niemiec and provided an overview of the mission and goals of the association. YM had several questions and suggestions for the Board and was generally directed to work with the Executive Director on any specifics. The Board thanked him for being present and indicated how important associations are as the representatives of the profession as it is the Board’s duty to protect the public health safety and welfare.

6. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

- A. Brennan Thomas
- B. Tamara Aukon
- C. Kassie Morgan
- D. Peter White
- E. Cassandra Runge
- F. Hsiaoling Huang
- G. Lea Siebert
- H. Robert Villa
- I. Sherrill Whately
- J. Michelle Sutter
- K. Rowena Ting-Ting Cheung

Executive Director Geriminsky provided a summary of license eligibility for Applicants A-K indicating that all applicants have submitted all required documentation and had no derogatory or otherwise disqualifying information and had been issued licensure pursuant to the Boards delegation.

Board Member Zimmerman moved to grant licensure to Applicants A-K with Board Member Hayden providing a second. The Motion Passed.

Fontes	Hayden	William s	Lehavi	Fitzgerald	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X	X	Aye
						Nay
						Recused
						Abstained
						Absent

7. CONSENT AGENDA FOR REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE BOARD ON RATIFICATION OF RENEWAL OF LICENSES/CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO INDIVIDUALS WHO MET REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL

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| Jerrie Lynn Nelson | Victoria J Mogilner | Judita Griffin | Lisa M Anderson |
| Charmaine Marek | Robert David Woods | Jing Liu | Chao C Chen |
| Pei J Kuo | Steven W Ahles | Marguerite Gavel | Tina Rae Begay |
| Adam D Da Virro | Monette R Atchley | Richard A Oliver | Qingsong Xiao |

Heidi N McHardy	Devan S. Oschmann	Daniel R Harper-Schufft	Sook J Lee
Ranee C Flinn	Jessica L. Myrick	Kathleen A Myers	Ping Yang
Christine A Cline	Yuho Hayashi	Steve H Liu	Blake J. Blowers
Linda L Scott	Linda L Kelley	Dagmar Bauer-Prigatano	Marla Luanne Sweeney
Amoz Isaac Van Dyke	Kari-Ann S Hubbard	Patricia E Martin	Stephen D Torowicz
Nicole C Razor	Bianca Valencia	Benjamin Lewis IV	Shelley O'Dell-Brock
Jill S Frey	Cheryl L Schultz	Amie Leih Guerra	Tess Richardson
Leah M Chischilly	Marie McKinnon Vincent	Helene Gaudard-Castillo	Terry L Rudd
Elyse Tera	Jessica D Breton	Kathleen L Kool	Dana L Price
Debra Richel DC,	John A Amaro DC,	Christy L Allen	Linda J Scott
Tiberiu Fulop	Yasunao Aoi	Dawn-Starr Crowther	Jade T Whitney
Dorion T Simmons	Peng Sun	Stanley G Posey	Chien T Yang
Heidi Branlund	Nicole A Berrios	Andrea M Fry	Catherine A Paddack

68 Renewals

The Executive Director provided an overview of Licenses and Certificates renewed stating each had been reviewed, found eligible, and license was renewed pursuant to the Boards authorization.

Board Member Williams moved to ratify and approve all applicants for license renewal listed above with Board Member Hayden providing a second. The Motion Passed.

Fontes	Hayden	William s	Lehavi	Fitzgerald	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X	X	Aye
						Nay
						Recused
						Abstained
						Absent

8. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPLICATIONS FOR AURICULAR ACUPUNCTURE TRAINING PROGRAM APPROVAL

A. The People’s Organization of Community Acupuncture (POCA)

Executive Director Geriminsky provided a brief overview of application packet and of the requirements for approval in Rule. The Board discussed the application, reviewed the provided documentation and interviewed a representative from POCA concerning the program.. Board Member Hayden moved to approve POCA as a training program for Auricular Acupuncturists. Board Member Zimmerman seconded. The Motion Passed.

Fontes	Hayden	Williams	Lehavi	Fitzgerald	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X	X	Aye
						Nay
						Recused
						Abstained
						Absent

9. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADVISORY OPINION FROM AZ NURSING BOARD ON ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES PROVIDING ACUPUNCTURE

The Executive Director provided an overview of the advisory opinion. The Board expressed concern about appropriate training and education standards and protecting the public health. The Board moved by consensus to reach out to the Nursing Board Committee to receive clarification on this Advisory Opinion.

11. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Executive Director Report

- A. Budget
- B. Summary of Current Events
- C. Survey Results
- D. Complaints Status
- E. Legislative Update
- F. Board Office Highlights

Executive Director Geriminsky provided the Board an update on pending complaints, recent legislation and generally on the above items. The Board discussed the new Universal Recognition licensing path and temporary licensure along with the changes needed to carry out new legislation. The Board took no action at this time.

11. Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Future Regular Meeting Dates

- September 25, 2019 - Flagstaff
- October 23, 2019 - Tucson
- November 27, 2019
- December 25, 2019 - Cancelled

The Board took no action

12. Call to the Public

No comment was received

13. Discussion of Items to be placed on a future meeting agenda

No other items were requested for future meetings

14. Adjournment

Board Member Hayden moved for adjournment and Board Member Williams provided a second. The Motion passed. The Board adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

Fontes	Hayden	Williams	Lehavi	Fitzgerald	Zimmerman	Vote
X	X	X	X	X		Aye
						Nay
						Recused

						Abstained
					X	Absent